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Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
State of Louisiana
Post Office Box 44275
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Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A, Hosston B Zone and
Hosston C Zone, BRYCELAND FIELD, Bienville
Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

EL PASO E&P COMPANY, L.P. ("Applicant"), hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A, the Hosston B Zone and the Hosston C Zone, all in Bryceland Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana:

1. To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize its KMI 23 No. 4 Well as an alternate unit well for HOSS A RA SUL, HOSS B SUA and for HOSS C SUN, at the location shown on the attached plats, in exception to the spacing provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 145-B, effective December 9, 1971.
2. To find that the proposed well is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the hydrocarbons underlying HOSS A RA SUL, HOSS B SUA and HOSS C SUN which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well within these units.
3. To permit the Operator of HOSS A RA SUL, HOSS B SUA and of HOSS C SUN to produce the allowables assigned to these units from either the unit well, any alternate unit well, or from any combination of such wells, at the option of the Operator.
4. To discuss such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A, in Bryceland Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 145-B, effective December 9, 1971.

The Hosston B Zone in Bryceland Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 145-A, effective June 1, 1971.

The Hosston C Zone in Bryceland Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 145-B, effective December 9, 1971, and was further defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 145-B-13, effective December 5, 1998.

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Any pertinent data concerning this application will be available for inspection at the offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 N. Causeway Boulevard, Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002-7216. Any person wishing to inspect any such data should call Mr. Louis Gilbert at (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the records of the Louisiana Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

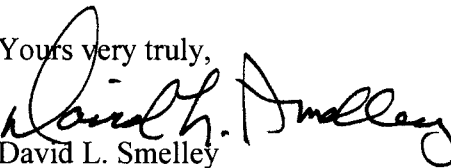
As provided by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore, no such notice has been issued.

Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of each of the three (3) unit plats is enclosed herewith, and a copy of this letter and of the attached plats is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to each of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing, and of the enclosed plats, at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Bryceland Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, enclosed herewith is our check payable to the Office of Conservation covering the application fee.

Yours very truly,



David L. Smelley
-- Attorney for El Paso E&P Company, L.P.

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encl.)
Ms. Sheridan Jones (w/encl.)
Mr. Louis Gilbert (w/encl.)
Interested Owners, Represented Parties
and Interested Parties (w/plats only)

